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Applicants : Slobodan Vukicevic et al.
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- [X] Request for Continued Examination (in duplicate);
- [X] Reply and Amendment Accompanying Request for Continued Examination;
- [X] Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) For Extension of Time (in duplicate);
- [X] Two Checks in the amounts of (i) \$770.00 for filing fees, and (ii) \$110.00 for extension of time;
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

This is a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, of pending prior Application No. 09/828,607, (Confirmation No. 5821), filed on April 6, 2001 for

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1. ☒ Please enter the Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed on March 23, 2004 in Application No. 09/828,607.
2. ☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief filed on _____ in Application No. _____.
3. ☒ An Amendment/Reply is enclosed.
4. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) is/are enclosed.
5. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
6. ☐ A suspension of action on the above-identified patent application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months.
7. ☒ A check in the amount of \$770.00 in payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is enclosed.
8. ☐ Please charge \$770.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-1075 in payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.
9. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) in connection with this Request, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

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10. ☒ Please grant a ☒ one-month, ☐ two-month, ☐ three-month, ☐ four-month, extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to the Examiner's Action of December 23, 2003 in the above-identified patent application.
11. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 110.00 in payment of the extension-of-time fee is enclosed.
12. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional extension-of-time fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with this paper, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.
13. ☐ Please charge the extension-of-time fee of \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

April 22, 2004

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REPLY AND AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION

In further response to the December 23, 2003 Final
Office action and in response to the April 7, 2004 Advisory
Action, applicants request continued examination and provide the
following remarks which are supplementary to applicants' March
23, 2004 Reply, now entered with the request for continued

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Reply and Amendment dated April 23, 2004

In response to Advisory Action dated April 7, 2004

examination. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1). With the extension, the deadline for filing a reply is April 23, 2004. Thus, the request for continued examination is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of the paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.